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FEBRUARY 24TH, 1947  
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BOBBY TO ADVISE B G JOHNSON DIED SUDDENLY TODAY

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PLEASE SEND ATTACHED TELEGRAM TO FOLLOWING:

WAYTE RAYMOND ✓  
654 Madison Ave.,  
New York 21, N.Y.

H.M.F. SCHULMAN ✓  
545 Fifth Ave.,  
New York, N.Y.

CELINA COIN CO. ✓  
CELINA, OHIO

PAUL H. WITTLIN ✓  
509 MADISON AVE.,  
New York, N.Y.

MR. B. MAX MEEL ✕  
FORT WORTH  
Texas

THOMAS L. ELDER ✕  
PLEASANTVILLE  
New York

F.C.C. BOYD ✓  
131 Varick St.,  
New York, N.Y.

CHAS. M. WORMSER ✕  
SCOTT STAMP & COIN CO.  
1 WEST 47th ST  
New York, N.Y.

MRS. LOTTIE L. TIMBERLAKE ✓  
FARINA  
ILLINOIS

EARLE E. JOHNSON  
ATTORNEY AT LAW

EXHIBIT 3112  
TITLE INSURANCE BUILDING  
403 SOUTH SPRING STREET  
LOS ANGELES

Mr. George E. Buxton  
and Eric F. Newman

Los Angeles  
Mar 13<sup>th</sup>

Gentlemen -

Thank you for the remittance of March  
1<sup>st</sup> - I deeply appreciate Buxton's remembering me  
in his will especially at this time since I have  
only seen him and his father (my uncle Will)  
more in the last eighteen years -

If you have occasion to write me  
in the future my address is 2515 1/2 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave  
Los Angeles, Calif. - I am on a six months  
leave of absence from my position with  
Little Newman and Trust Co.

Very Truly Yours

Earle E. Johnson

# EMPLOYER'S APPLICATION FOR IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

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## UNDER FEDERAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS ACT

(If space provided for answers is inadequate, attach separate sheet. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Number answers to agree with questions appearing on this form.)

1. Name of employer \_\_\_\_\_  
(Enter true name under which tax returns will be filed, as distinguished from trade name. See instructions)
  2. Trade name, if any \_\_\_\_\_  
(Enter name under which business is operated if different from true name, as in item 1.)
  3. Class (check ( ) which): Individual \_\_\_\_\_; Corporation \_\_\_\_\_; Partnership \_\_\_\_\_; Other \_\_\_\_\_  
(Check one as follows)
  4. Principal place of business \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number)
  5. Number of employees \_\_\_\_\_  
(State)
  6. Give date on which employer in Item 1 established or acquired this business \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)
  7. Give the first date after December 31, 1936, on which the employer in Item 1 had ONE or more employees in employment for taxable wages. (See instructions) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)
  8. If the present employer has taken over a previously established business, give the previous owner's name \_\_\_\_\_ identification number 43-047080  
(If known)
  9. Check reason for filing this application: Started new business ☐ Purchased going business ☐  
Acquired going business without purchase ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
(If not answer by employee, see instructions)
  10. Have you previously filed an application for an identification number? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
- Date \_\_\_\_\_ (Signed) John E. Goss Title \_\_\_\_\_  
(Should be signed by either the owner, partner, officer of a corporation, or beneficiary of an estate or trust.)  
(Do not detach)

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(CONTINUED—Fill in Items 1 through 10 exactly as above)

No. \_\_\_\_\_

1. Name of employer \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Enter name under which business is operated if different from true name, as in item 1.)
3. Class (check ( ) which): Individual \_\_\_\_\_; Corporation \_\_\_\_\_; Partnership \_\_\_\_\_; Other \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Number)
5. Number of employees \_\_\_\_\_  
(State)
6. Give date on which employer in Item 1 established or acquired this business \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)
7. Give the first date after December 31, 1936, on which the employer in Item 1 had ONE or more employees in employment for taxable wages. (See instructions) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)
8. If the present employer has taken over a previously established business, give the previous owner's name \_\_\_\_\_ identification number \_\_\_\_\_  
(If known)
9. Check reason for filing this application: Started new business ☐ Purchased going business ☐  
Acquired going business without purchase ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
(If not answer by employee, see instructions)
10. Have you previously filed an application for an identification number? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please fill in items 11 through 13 on reverse side)

Geog. Code	Ind. Code	Date of bus. bir.	Reason for app.	

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11. Does the employer named in Item 1 operate more than one place of employment? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ If answer is YES, attach a list showing for each separate place of employment: (a) the name and address, (b) the nature of business operated (see examples in Item 12), and (c) the number of employees.
12. Describe fully exact nature of business carried on in this establishment. The following examples indicate type of information needed:  
 MINING AND QUARRYING (state principal mineral for which mine is worked).—Bituminous-coal mining; bauxite mining; crude-oil production; crushed-limestone quarrying; drilling oil wells on contract basis, etc.  
 CONSTRUCTION (state whether general contractor or subcontractor, and type of construction work normally performed).—Residential building, general contractor; painting and paperhanging subcontractor, etc.  
 WHOLESALE TRADE (state whether on own account or on a commission basis, and specify principal commodity sold).—Commission wholesaler of industrial chemicals; independent wholesaler of canned fruits, etc.  
 RETAIL TRADE (state type of retail establishment and principal commodity sold).—Retail grocery store; retail hardware; retail gasoline filling station; country general store; packaged liquor store, etc.  
 WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE COMBINED (if engaged in both wholesale and retail trade, indicate which is predominant, and follow examples shown above).  
 MANUFACTURING (indicate type of establishment operated, where significant).—Sawmill; vegetable cannery; newspaper printing plant; beehive coke ovens, etc.  
 OTHER ACTIVITY (specify the exact type).—Independent life insurance agent; owner-operator of apartment house; barber shop; electrical repair shop; steam laundry; State bank, etc.
- Nature of business: \_\_\_\_\_

13. If primarily engaged in MANUFACTURING, state in the order of their importance the principal products manufactured, and the estimated percentage of the total value of all products which each represents.

Products	%
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Do not detach)

(Signed) George E. Gessler Title \_\_\_\_\_  
(Should be signed by either the owner, partner, officer of a corporation, or fiduciary of an estate or trust)

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## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

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- A. Every person who has in his employ one or more individuals in employment for wages must file an application on Form SS-4 for an identification number.
- B. The application must be filed either with the nearest field office of the Social Security Board in the State in which the employer's principal place of business is located, or with the United States Collector of Internal Revenue for the district in which such place of business is located. The application should be filed on or before the seventh day after the date on which employment for wages for such employer first occurs. The employer will be notified of the identification number assigned.
- C. An employer should file only one application for an identification number on this form regardless of the number of establishments in which his employees work. This is true even though the employer has adopted and is doing business under one or more business or trade names different from his true name. However, each corporation of an affiliated group must be treated as a separate employer, and a separate application filed for each.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING IN FORM SS-4

Answers should be typewritten or printed plainly in ink. DO NOT USE PENCIL.

Items 1 and 2. Name of employer.—Enter in Item 1 the *true* name of the employer, and enter in Item 2 the *trade* name, if any, adopted for business purposes. For example, if John W. Jones, an individual employer, operates a restaurant under the trade name Busy Bee Restaurant, "John W. Jones" should be entered in Item 1, and "Busy Bee Restaurant" in Item 2.

If the employer was created by statute, court order or decree, charter, oral or written agreement, will, declaration of trust, or other legal instrument, enter in Item 1 the full name recognized thereunder. If the employer is a corporation, enter in Item 1 the corporate name as set forth in its charter or other legal document issued by the Government creating it. In the case of a trust, the name of the trust estate should be entered in Item 1, and the name of the trustee in Item 2. In the case of an estate of a decedent, insolvent, etc., the name of the estate should be entered in Item 1 and the name of the administrator or other fiduciary in Item 2. If the true name of the employer is unusually long, the true name must be shown in a statement attached to this form. In such case, a short name clearly identifying the employer and distinguishing this employer from other employers should be adopted for purposes of this form and entered in Item 1.

Item 7. First date of employment.—If the employer does not know whether the employment taxes are applicable with respect to his employees' wages, he should consult the United States Collector of Internal Revenue.

FEETZ FUNERAL HOME INC.

1008 LEXINGTON AVENUE  
NEW YORK 17, N.Y.

April 15, 1947

Mr. Eric Newman,  
315 Washington Ave.,  
St. Louis 1, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find statement  
for the burial of Burdette C. Johnson in  
the approximate amount you stated in our  
telephone conversation.

Kindly enclose your statements for  
miscellaneous expenses and I will pay same  
on receipt of check.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Yours truly,

*Henry C. Harkness*

P.S. Will take advantage of U.S. Mail Service  
in lieu of threatening weather.

When Mr. Burdette D. Johnson, departed several months ago he left behind an estate, which is now being administered by the executors.

Among those assets are, "THE ST. LOUIS STAMP and Coin Co." to which Mr. Johnson devoted a life time to so successfully build. The present holdings of this company could be divided into three parts, namely:-

- 1- The name, goodwill, furniture, fixtures, and stationary.
- 2- The coins, in the Bank vaults.
- 3- The lesser coins and accumulations in the office metal cabinets.

As I would understand it, it is the present job of the executors to administer this estate in their good judgement, to carry out Mr. Johnsons wishes to the best advantage of all. I do not know whether He wished the St. Louis Stamp and Coin Co, to continue in full operation, upholding its services and integrity as before, to its fullest extent, tho' I think he would have liked it.

I also do not know, that this may already have been arranged for.

Having in the past often been of service to Mr. Johnson, to our mutual benefits, may I herewith submit the following proposal?

As it has for some time been my idea, to one day, go into the Stamp and Coin business as a full time job, I have been accumulating a stock of stamps and coins as well as some of the necessary knowledge and following.

I would now like to have you consider my offer,, to take over, and continue operation of the St. Louis Stamp and Coin Co., along the same lines as before.

This would include Miss. Luebke continuing in the same capacity as secretary; Mr. Newman as attorney; and with Mrs. Cruzan and Mr. Gessler continuing with the same personal or business relationship as before.

As there is yet so much work to be done on inventory-cataloging- and checking over coins on hand (mostly in metal file) I believe some of this work could be made easier for you in this way.

Because of the considerable total cash value of the inventory, the executors and heirs of the estate would possibly relieve the greatest advantage and return, thru this proposal.



To this end,- Consider the holdings, as divided into these three classes;

1- The Company Name, Goodwill, Furniture, Fixtures, and Stationary, etc.

You, to establish a definite cash price on this item;  
1, to purchase same for cash.

2- The coins, in the Bank Vaults, which probably constitute the greater portion of the value, to remain intact-as is. ~~exist~~

A list of these coins- to the extent possible- given me, along with the privilege of selling them for you on a prearranged commission basis. All cash returns on these items, (less commission) to be deposited in your name, in a separate account. This would give you practically a daily settlement, just as though you were conducting the business yourself. (except for operating expenses which offset the commission.)

3- The third item- that of the lesser coins in the office metal cabinet, ( the items still entailing the greatest amount of work) could be handled as follows;-

I would buy them for a price set by you. I would pay for them, to the extent possible, and secure to you, the balance, by a first mortgage- which could be paid off on monthly, and with the privilege of paying off more when possible.

Should this stock be too large to handle as above, then some of the more ~~valuable~~ valuable coins could be carried on consignment, or put in the Bank Vaults with coins of item #2, just as you would select. Naturally, any of your coins in our hands to be properly covered by insurance.

In this manner, you would be-

- a. Liquidating the estate,
- b. at your own prices,
- c. in the same approximate time, without assuming the operational costs and responsibilities,
- d. continuing the good name of the St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.
- e. retaining the same personal or business interests as before.

You could come and go, spend as much time in the office, as you wished, and have access to the files and books, as related to your interests. We could reserve a desk for the convenience of Mrs. Cruzan.

Respectfully submitted,

Al. Wick.

For Nearly Half A Century

ROSENBLOOM MONUMENT CO.

7501 Olive Street Road

St. Louis (5) Mo.

April 22, 1947.

Mr. Eric Newman,  
c/o Edison Bros.,  
315 Washington Ave.,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Mr. Newman:

We will erect an exact duplicate of the markers now on the lot,  
(William A. and Luella C. Johnson) with lettering for the late  
Burdette G. Johnson, for Fifty Dollars, (\$50.00). Price includes  
setting on solid foundation in the cemetery. There will be no  
further expense, except the 2% State Tax of \$1.00.

We assure you of the best workmanship and await your instructions.

Respectfully,

ROSENBLOOM MONUMENT CO.,

Rosenbloom Monument Co.,  
Gentlemen:

Your proposal as shown above is acceptable and you may  
enter order.

Yours truly,

George E. Gensler  
Eric P. Newman  
Executors of the Estate  
of Burdette G. Johnson

BURDETTE G. JOHNSON  
1885- 1947

VITTERT CONSTRUCTION  
& INVESTMENT CO.

408 OLIVE STREET  
ST. LOUIS 2, MO.

Sent personally  
on me 4/24/47 in  
relation of verbal  
agreement

Eric P. Newman

Mr. Eric Newman

VITTEB CONSTRUCTION & INVESTMENT CO.

408 OLIVE STREET

ST. LOUIS 2, MO.

April 22, 1947

Mr. Eric Newman  
Executor of the Estate of Mr. E. G. Johnson  
315 Washington Ave.  
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:

This will serve as a one month statutory notice to vacate the premises you occupy as executor of the Estate of Mr. E. G. Johnson doing business as St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co in room 400 of the Merchants LaClede Building located at 408 Olive St. on or before May 31st, 1947.

Very truly yours,

VITTEB CONSTRUCTION & INV. COMPANY

ALVIN B. VITTEB

AEV:ba

# VALHALLA

"The Cemetery Beautiful"

7600 St. Charles Road

ST. LOUIS 14, MO.

May 10, 1947

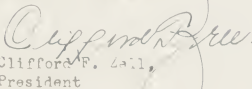
Miss Josephine Bryant,  
376 St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.,  
408 Olive Street,  
St. Louis 2, Missouri.

Dear Miss Bryant:

This will acknowledge receipt of your affidavit regarding the right of Mary Hedgecock Sheffield to be buried in Lot 64 of Section 1 and we are placing this affidavit in our permanent file.

Very truly yours,

VALHALLA CEMETERY

  
Clifford F. Hall,  
President

cc:fb

Relationships of Locater - to his family

Carl E. Johnson - Cousin on Father's side (Brother's first cousin)  
John Hunter - First cousin on Mother's side  
(Son of Mother's sister)

Dorothy Sparks Lamon - { Third Cousin on Mother's side  
(Granddaughter of Mother's aunt)

Mary Lee Sparks Hanz - Same as Dorothy Sparks Lamon

William E. Hedrick - { Second Cousin on Mother's side  
(Son of First Cousin)

Mary Hedrick Elphinstone - { First Cousin on Mother's side  
(Daughter of aunt)

Possible Relatives of B & G Johnson who may be heard  
from

Helen Howell Miller } 1st cousin on Mother's side  
Daytonville Ark. (Daughter of Aunt)

Leland B. Baskin } 1st Cousin on Mother's side  
Jeffersonville Ind. (Son of Aunt)

Walter Conway } 1st Cousin on Mother's side  
Chicago Ill. (Son of Uncle)

Conway Swartz } 1st Cousin on Mother's side  
Indianapolis Ind. (Son of Aunt)

Conway Samuels } 1st Cousin on Mother's side  
Jeffersonville Ind. (Son of Aunt)

Have or have Sons and/or daughters of  
Russell Conway (Uncle) who would be 1st cousins

Addresses given are last known.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

St. Louis 1, Mo.

OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR  
FIRST DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

IN REPLYING REFER TO Lmt;MEN: 201 lw

May 15, 1947

Estate of R.G. Johnson  
d/b/a/ St. Louis Sta,p & Coin Co.,  
408 Olive St.  
St.Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

This office is in receipt of advice that you have acquired the business formerly operated by R.G. Johnsen, d/b/a/ St.Louis Stamp & Coin Co., 408 Olive St, St.Louis, Mo.

If you will have employees in connection with your business, it will be necessary that the enclosed Form SS-4, be completed and returned to this office so that an employer's identification number can be assigned to you. Required forms for filing returns under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act, (formerly Title VIII of the Social Security Act), will be furnished you on receipt of your application.

If Form SS-4, is not required for the reason that you will not have employees, kindly indicate below and return this letter within ten (10) days.

Yours very truly,

*James F. Finnegan*  
JAMES F. FINNEGAN  
Collector

Encl.





FLOWERS

TELEGRAMS

Mr. & Mrs. John Hall Allen

Miss Elizabeth Gaul

✓ " " B. Max Mehl

✧ " " H.M.F. Schulman

✓ Morton & Joe Stack

✓ Chas. Wormser

✧ Wayte Raymond

✓ Mrs. A. W. Brand

✓ Missouri Numismatic Soc.-

✓ Mr. Al Wick

✓ Mound City Stamp Club - *Mr. Wick Pres.*

✓ Alvin B. Vittert

✓ Leonard & Murial Forrer

✓ James Kelly

✓ Ted Brandts

✓ Mr. & Mrs. A. V. Sheffield

✓ Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Cowan

✓ Earl E. Johnson

✧ Bill & Barbara Collier

✓ Mrs. Mable Peacock & Family

✓ Dr. & Mrs. J.V. Cruzan & Family

✓ Mrs. Lottie L. Timberlake

✧ ~~Larsons, Konz & Sparks~~

✓ Mr. & Mrs. Phil a Gunn

~~MISSOURI NUMISMATIC SOCIETY~~

Mr. & Mrs. Geo. Cessler

Dr. & " Percy Newman

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Lee & Art Kelley

Wm. H. Bleyer

Joe & Nellie Minter

Lenard & Jos. Bryant

Mr. & Mrs. Eric P. Newman

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Miss Elizabeth Gaul

*Mrs. Elizabeth Gaul*

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ARTHUR B. SHEPLEY, JR.  
HORD W. HARDIN  
WILLIAM R. BASCOM  
SIMON RAPOPORT  
WILLIAM K. STANARD II  
WILLIAM G. PETTUS, JR.

SUCCESSORS TO  
NAGEL, KIRBY, ORRICK & SHEPLEY  
319 NORTH FOURTH STREET  
ST. LOUIS 12

CABLE ADDRESS "NAGELKIRBY"  
TELEPHONE CENTRAL 8800

June 10, 1947

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
Edison Bros. Stores, Inc.  
115 Washington  
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Eric:

I have re-written the affidavits sent to me by Miss Bryant and have also sent copies to Chicago for their approval. I am now informed that the affidavits are in acceptable form and so I am enclosing three copies of each.

Will you please have the affidavits processed in duplicate, retaining one copy for your files, and send them to me?

With kindest personal regards, I remain,

Sincerely,



Encl.

June 18, 1947

Mr. Hord Hardin, Jr.  
c/o Shepley, Kroeger, Fisse and Ingamells  
Attorneys at Law  
319 North Fourth Street  
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Hord:

In accordance with your letter of June 16, 1947,  
I am pleased to enclose in duplicate affidavit of  
Mary Cowan Cruzan and affidavit of myself with  
respect to the appraisal being used in the Brand  
Estate.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/me

RECEIPT AND RELEASE

The undersigned hereby acknowledge the receipt from the Estate of Burdette G. Johnson of all coins and numismatic items to which they are entitled from said Estate of Burdette G. Johnson, which coins and other numismatic items were heretofore sent to Burdette G. Johnson, doing business as the St. Louis Stamp & Coin Company, by the undersigned or their predecessors in interest, on consignment and listed on a group of invoices dated between 1934 and 1947, a substantial quantity of said listed coins and other numismatic items having been heretofore sold and the proceeds duly accounted for.

In consideration of the delivery of said coins and other numismatic items to the undersigned or any one or more of them, the undersigned, jointly and severally, hereby release and waive any and all claims of any type whatsoever which they now have against the Estate of Burdette G. Johnson, deceased, George E. Gessler and Eric P. Newman as Executors of said Estate, and the beneficiaries of said Estate.

At the time of the death of Burdette G. Johnson there were out on approval certain coins belonging to the undersigned, and it is not intended hereby to acknowledge receipt or waive the right to the return of said coins or the proceeds thereof. Said coins which are out on approval are to be returned to the undersigned or, if sold, are to be accounted for at ninety per cent of the prices listed after them, plus 50% of the proceeds, if any, in excess of said listed prices.

(Signatures)

(Acknowledgment)

January 5, 1948

Rev. Joseph Donnelly, Librarian  
St. Louis University  
Grand and West Pine Boulevard  
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Father Donnelly:

You will recall that at the luncheon of the St. Louis Historical Documents Foundation on December 31, 1947 you mentioned that you might be able to locate certain books which Mr. Burdette G. Johnson loaned to Father Claude Heithaus some years ago. I am one of the executors of Mr. Johnson's estate, and on several occasions we have endeavored to obtain the books which were borrowed as we assume they are in the possession of St. Louis University.

We have a complete set of the Cambridge Ancient History, the Cambridge Modern History, and the Cambridge History of India, with the exception of the three volumes which Father Heithaus borrowed. He had Volumes IV and VII of the Cambridge Ancient History and Volume II of the Cambridge History of India. I would be very appreciative if you would have someone check to see whether those volumes are available so that they can be returned.

If Father Heithaus is in town I am sure that he will be glad to cooperate with you in locating these for me.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman/me

January 5, 1948

The MacMillan Company  
New York City  
New York

Gentlemen:

Many years ago you published the Cambridge Modern History Atlas as a volume in connection with the Cambridge Modern History. I would like to obtain this Atlas and am wondering if you still have any in stock. If so, please be kind enough to let me know the price and I will forward a check for same.

Very truly yours,

EPNewman/me



January 13, 1948

Mrs. Joe C. Minter  
3164-A South Compton Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Mrs. Minter:

I am enclosing herewith three copies of an affidavit which I have prepared for Mr. Hardeastle to sign. Please have him sign two copies and keep the third for himself. I will have the two copies notarized if it is difficult for you to have the same done. We will then see if the Probate Court will pass on the Refusal of Letters in your husband's estate.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman/me  
Encls.



Dealers in  
RARE COINS  
STAMPS

Established 1897

## ST. LOUIS STAMP & COIN CO.

408 OLIVE STREET

ST. LOUIS 2. MO.

August 13, 1948



Dealers in  
PAPER MONEY  
AUTOGRAPHS

Dear Mr. Newman:

Hope you had a wonderful vacation! I will try to give you a resume of what has happened since you left.

Mr. Windau sent a remittance \$63.00 and also came here and bought coins or selected coins on approval up to about \$2700.00. I will leave his two invoices in the journal along with some other letters that you should see as soon as you have time to catch your breath! Mr. Boyd sent a remittance of \$27.50 but his coins have not as yet been received. Mr. Del Monte returned all of the consignment we sent him and it is in the vault intact. Gilcrease Foundation sent a check for \$60.00 and will remit later for the Washington medal - \$125.00. Mr. Muscalus wrote asking for cuts and other notes, etc. Mr. Spinning of the Chase National said he had another letter from Werner Oswald asking for his Swiss coins.

To all of these people I have written letters saying that you were out of town and that their letters would be referred to you immediately upon your return which I thought would be around August 23rd, with the exception of Mr. Boyd to whom I just wrote and thanked for his remittance. That also applies to the Gilcrease people.

Other than that there hasn't been much going on. We have the stock transfer papers ready to mail along with the stocks and Mr. Gessler is mailing Mrs. Sheffield's to her today. We will wait and see what Mary wants us to do with hers before mailing them to her. Have had a couple of letters from Mary and she said she will write to you - about *the time* ~~when~~ she thinks you will return from your vacation.

I'll call you when I return from my vacation.

Sincerely -

*Josephine Bryant*

P.S. The Del Monte returns are in one of the small drawers of the cabinet in the office - I forgot that I didn't take them to the vault. You will also find two coins I bought for you. You will owe the cash box \$33.50  
Hope they are o.k.

*[Signature]*

August 13, 1948

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Newman -

Yesterday I  
received some more of my china -  
four salad plates - they are  
lovely and I am so pleased  
to have them.

Just about  
the time I decide I will never  
get any more - I get a nice  
surprise like this!

I want to thank you  
back and to tell you that I  
appreciate your kindness to me  
very much.

Sincerely

Josephine Bryant

July 20, 1949

Mr. F. L. Niemeyer  
637 Bowmen's Bank Building  
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Mr. Niemeyer:

In accordance with your suggestion, I am enclosing herewith Alliance Insurance Company of Philadelphia Registered Mail Policies Nos. 2R 30083-4, covering the St. Louis Stamp & Coin Company. These seem to be the only policies I can locate, and as an executor of the estate of Mr. B. G. Johnson, owner of the St. Louis Stamp & Coin Company, I wish to state that there are no claims under any such policy or policies.

In August, 1948, the shipment of merchandise was less than \$100.00, and there has been no shipment of merchandise since that time. The business is closed.

I, therefore, suggest that you obtain for us any return premium which may be due.

Very truly yours,

FFNewman/fm  
Encs.

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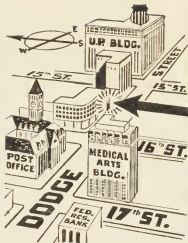
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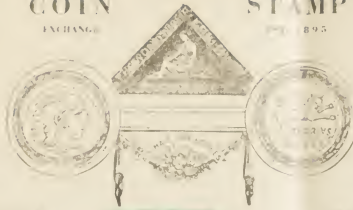
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Mr Newman

Have you any items of the  
Johnson Estate to sell  
in the low priced class, paper-  
money - Coins - stamps  
- is far the main business, my  
trade is all over the country,  
right now I am short of old U.S.  
Flowing hair Dimes to Dollars in about  
good will do. I can use some  
Calif. 1/2 - 1/4 - 1/8 Coin & charms both.

Very truly  
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testimony made clear that the receipt was not a receipt, but a check, which, he charged, the defendants accepted. He was married and lived at the Audubon drive address, where a maid, Mrs. Lenora Rice, told a reporter that Johnson had complained of not feeling well Saturday evening. He had left for work when the maid arrived this morning.

Following his collapse on the streetcar, an ambulance removed his body to City Hospital, where he was pronounced dead. He was later identified by Dr. Percy Newman, 3539 Hartford street, a close friend.

## USED OF BEING DRUNK, FREED TO SEE EISENHOWER

A patriotic desire to see General Dwight D. Eisenhower won a dismissal today for John Berry, accused of being drunk on the street, in Police Judge Joseph B. Lanzaro's court.

Berry, an itinerant railroad worker, told the court he had drunk too much but explained, "for honor, I would really like to see General Eisenhower's page today." The Judge replied, "It's pretty cold outside. We can get you in a place where you'll be warm."

## BURDETTE G. JOHNSON DIES ON STREETCAR

Stamp and Coin Firm Owner  
Collapses, Apparently of  
Heart Attack.

Burdette G. Johnson, owner and operator of the St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co., dealers in rare coins, 408 Olive street, for more than 40 years, died suddenly today on an eastbound University streetcar. He collapsed, apparently of a heart attack, when the streetcar reached Fourteenth and Olive streets.



B. G. Johnson

Johnson, who was 62 years old and lived at 712 Audubon drive, Clayton, was regarded as an authority on rare coins and his company is one of the leading coin dealers in the world, friends told the Post-Dispatch. They said he was not a collector himself.

Born in DeSoto, Mo., he came to St. Louis when he was 12 years

old. He was unmarried and lived at the Audubon drive address, where a maid, Mrs. Lenora Rice, told a reporter that Johnson had complained of not feeling well Saturday evening. He had left for work when the maid arrived this morning.

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Johnson was a member of the Missouri Athletic Club and of coin societies throughout the country. A cousin, Mrs. Floyd Larson, lives at 525 Clark avenue, Webster Groves, and another cousin, L. C. Sparks, lives at Highridge, Mo. No members of his immediate family survive.

## ST. LOUIS NEGRO APPOINTED TO WEST POINT ACADEMY

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Representative Claude I. Bakewell (Rep.) of St. Louis announced today that he had appointed Ridgley C. Bennett Jr., 17 years old, a Negro, to the West Point Military Academy.

Bennett lives at 302 Rutger street, and is the son of a pharmacist. He attended the Waring grade and Vashon high schools. He is enrolled at Stowe Teachers College.

Frisco Railroad, \$556; Terminal Railroad, \$4559; Wabash Railroad, \$453; American Telephone & Telegraph Co., \$288; Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., \$4669, and Union Electric Co., \$16,397.

Officers of the delinquent firms, Benson said, have notified his office they consider the tax unconstitutional. He has requested his attorney, Arthur Simmons, to warn the companies that he will file suit for the tax if it is not paid.

He said he had received a total of \$3789 from the St. Louis Public Service Co., Western Union, the Mississippi River Fuel Corp., Phillips Petroleum Co., Shell Oil Co., and the Ozark Central Telephone Co.

Mooney showed a reporter a letter he had received from his clients, saying a number of the tax-paying citizens of the county were "not in accord with the extravagance of the library tax" and felt that "sharp practice was used" in putting it over. He said that if 100 signatures are obtained it will be mandatory for the County Court to place the tax law on the ballot in the April school district election. The tax could then be killed by a majority vote.

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